

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 761

By Dean

A RESOLUTION to recognize David Mays on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, David Mays is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for thirty-eight years as an employee of the City of East Ridge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mays will soon be taking a much deserved retirement after nearly four decades of devoted service; and

WHEREAS, in 1961, he stood as a member of the first graduating class of East Ridge High School; and

WHEREAS, after embarking on his stellar career on March 2, 1970, David Mays rendered sterling service as a Bookkeeper from 1970 until 1981, the City Administrator from 1981 until 1993, the Finance Director and Acting City Manager between 1993 and 2005, and as the City Manager and Finance Director from 2006 until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, over the tenure of his career, Mr. Mays has endeavored to dedicate himself to the highest tenets of public service; he was recognized for this dedication in 2003 with his receipt of the Excellence in the Public Service Municipal Government Award; and

WHEREAS, he is a devout member of the Stonebriar Community Church, which he has served for several years as a member; and

WHEREAS, David Mays exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, he is especially appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife, Patty, and their children, John, Jody, and Ken; Mr. Mays is also the doting grandfather of Julie, Alex, and Erin; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Mays has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to David Mays our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors, even while applauding his many years of tireless service to the good people of East Ridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.